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Note verbale dated 24 May 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006) and has the honour to present Norway's report pursuant to paragraph 8 of resolution 1747 (2007) to the Committee (see annex).

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Annex to the note verbale dated 24 May 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

Norway's implementation of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007)

The legal basis for the implementation of the sanctions against Iran, imposed by resolution 1747 (2007), is section 1 of Act No. 4 of 7 June 1968, relating to the implementation of mandatory decisions of the Security Council of the United Nations. This act provides for the King in Council to issue such regulations as are necessary in order to implement mandatory decisions of the Security Council. Pursuant to section 1 of this Act, the King in Council adopted on 9 February 2007 Regulation No. 149 relating to sanctions against Iran. Pursuant to section 3 of Regulation 149, the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is given authority to change the provisions in the Regulation by a regulation. Security Council resolution 1747 (2007) was implemented by Regulation No. 375 of 30 March 2007, amending Regulation No. 149.

New section 1, No. 2, of the Regulations prohibits the supply, sale or transfer of goods as set out in paragraph 1 of the resolution.

New section 1, No. 7, of the Regulations implies prohibition regarding the supply of weapons, as well as other related material from Iran or by their nationals using and prohibition of the use of a vessel or aircraft under the Norwegian flag to transport such goods.

Furthermore, annex I to the Regulations is replaced by a new annex I, which implies an expansion of the list of entities and persons listed by the Security Council or the Committee established pursuant to resolution 1747 (2007).

The Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs has furthermore informed relevant Norwegian authorities about the implementation of resolution 1747, and strongly advised that Norwegian authorities, in their financing activities, not give grants, financial assistance or loans on favourable conditions to the Government of Iran, except for humanitarian aid and development aid.

One of the listed entities, Bank Sepah, had an account in Nordea Bank, Oslo. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, with reference to the freeze obligation set out in resolution 1747, requested on 30 March 2007, that measures be taken to freeze the account. This has been carried out, and the account is currently frozen. The balance of the account is NOK 169,738.

No violations of the above-mentioned regulations have been registered so far.

Any wilful or negligent contravention of the regulations or assistance thereto is punishable by fines, imprisonment or both. Furthermore, objects which are imported or exported in contravention of the regulations, or in regard to which an attempt to import or export has been made, as well as any means of payment or securities employed in contravention of the regulations, may be confiscated by court order.

Pursuant to Act No. 64 of 24 June 1988, concerning the entry of foreign nationals into the Kingdom of Norway and their presence in the realm (Immigration Act), the Norwegian Directorate of Immigration will be instructed by the Ministry

of Labour, Immigration and Social Inclusion to exercise vigilance regarding the entry into or transit through Norwegian territory or all persons engaged in Iran's proliferation sensitive nuclear activities, or for the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems. The Directorate of Immigration will furthermore be instructed to notify the Ministry of the entry into or transit through Norwegian territory regarding the persons designated in the resolution's annex, as well as of additional persons designated by the Security Council or the Committee as being engaged in, directly associated with or providing support for Iran's proliferation sensitive nuclear activities and for the development of nuclear weapon delivery systems.